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WILLKIE TAKING PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM ROOSEVELT TO THE BRITISH PREMIER

WASHINGTON, JAN. 20 (REUTER)—MR. WENDELL WILLKIE WILL TAKE A PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT TO MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL, THE BRITISH PREMIER. Mr. Willkie yesterday conferred with the PRESIDENT and MR. CORDELL HULL, Secretary of State. He is going to Britain to get first-hand information on present conditions there.

The recent development in the American attitude towards the war, is the subject of editorial comment in most London papers yesterday, says Reuter.

Marshal's Meeting With M. Laval

Dispel Misunderstanding Was Chief Reason

LONDON, Jan. 20 (Reuter)—The desire to dispel misunderstanding, which prejudice relations between the authorities in occupied France and the Vichy Government, was the chief reason for MARSHAL PETAIN'S meeting with M. LAVAL, according to a communiqué issued after the meeting and a broadcast by the Lyons Radio this morning.

After stating that Marshal Petain and M. Laval had a long conversation during which the misunderstandings, which led to the events on Dec. 13, were dispelled, the communiqué says:

"For reasons of high domestic policy, Marshal Petain decided on Dec. 13 to dispense with the assistance of M. Laval. These reasons could not, owing to circumstances, be clearly explained to the French nation.

"This gave rise to many rumours and some unrest which several Paris' newspapers, favoured by difficulties of the moment, did not fail to exploit and enlarge.

DANGER OF DIVISION

"Marshal Petain, however, desires more than ever to avoid the danger of division of mind. More than ever, he wants to dispel understandings which might prejudice relations between the authorities of occupied territories and the French Government.

"It is for this reason that Marshal Petain insisted on having an interview with M. Laval."

After the meeting, Marshal Petain returned to his residence while M. Laval went by road to Paris.

The German Trans-Ocean News Agency has drawn attention to the fact that in the Vichy communiqué, M. Laval was described as "Monsieur President" and it is suggested that he will be President of the Council of Ministers—in other words, Prime Minister at Vichy.

In fact, the title was given to M. Laval because any former Prime Minister of France has a right to this title.

The German-controlled Paris Radio, continues to attack Vichy and states: "A solution must come and must come quickly."

Roosevelt Takes Oath Of Office

Washington was filled with visitors yesterday, when standing on the steps of the capital, PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, took his oath to become the first President in the history of the United States to take a third term of office, states a Reuter message.

With his left hand on the bible and his right hand raised, he took the following oath:

"I solemnly swear that I will faithfully execute the office of President of the United States and will preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of America."

After lunch, the President watched the inauguration parade.

EXPORT OF "GEARS" TO JAPAN PROHIBITED

LONDON, Jan. 20th (Reuter)—British authorities have prohibited the export of "gears" executed by the British manufacturer for the Japanese customer.

This is revealed in a correspondence passed between the PRIME MINISTER and the Labour Member of Parliament, MR. ALFRED EDWARDS, and published yesterday.

Last December, Mr. Edwards wrote to the Premier quoting a Press report that "munition workers have refused to work an order for Japan."

In reply, the Premier stated: "The order to which the report referred, was for gears which have

According to THE TIMES, the mixing up of British and American interests and British and American plans for defence is based on considerations broader than those of strategy.

It has its foundations in common tradition and outlook to which we give the name of democracy, but which lies in fact, deeper than any mere issue of Governmental machinery and this tradition and outlook—now the bulwark of the world against Nazi tyranny and the Nazi new order—will emerge from the struggle, strengthened by a united action, fertilised by reciprocal influence and extended by a common example.

VICHY, Jan. 20 (Reuter)—The French Cabinet is holding a meeting today following the meeting between Marshal Petain and M. Laval.

MORE MONEY BORROWED

VICHY, Jan. 20 (Reuter)—More money to pay for the German army of occupation has been borrowed by the French Government from the Bank of France.

A new decree approved the increase of banks' advances to the state from 73 milliard francs to 85 milliard francs for this purpose.

The cost of the army of occupation which is payable by France under the armistice terms, is not included in the budget, but is defrayed from a special account

Mr. Joseph Kennedy's broadcast certifies the truth of Mr. Churchill's judgment on the "stirring processes whereby democracy of the great American Commonwealth is formulating its decision to make sure that the British Commonwealth of nations is able to maintain the front line of civilisation and progress."

VOTE DEFINITE AMOUNT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20 (Reuter)—One of America's leading isolationists, SENATOR WHEELER, who has been particularly active during the past week, declared today: "We have a Senate majority opposed to the principle of the aid to Britain bill."

A goodly number of these Senators, he added, would be willing to vote a definite amount of money for Britain and a substitute measure might be offered for an outright gift to Britain not exceeding £500,000,000.

"There is no reason why we should grant totalitarian powers to the President in the name of helping the democracies."

Today's News Summary

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CONVOY BALLOONS SCARE NAZIS
Barrage balloons are being flown from ships in convoy, and added to the fierce A.A. fire of the vessels and their escorts, they are proving a problem to Nazi dive-bombers. Swinging at the end of their cables in the breezes, they are an effective deterrent.

FOUR ENEMY BOMBERS ARE SHOT DOWN BY A.A. FIRE

Southampton Has Light Night Raid

LONDON, Jan. 20 (British Wireless)—It is now learned in London that FIVE ENEMY BOMBERS were destroyed on Sunday night. FOUR were shot down by A.A. fire.

SOUTHAMPTON was among the places raided by the enemy on Sunday night. The raid on the city was not severe.

The Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security communiqué states: "On Sunday night, enemy aircraft dropped bombs at a number of places in SOUTH and SOUTH-EAST ENGLAND and at some points in the London area. All the raids had ended by the early hours of the morning.

"Damage was caused by high explosive bombs at some places, but nowhere was it on a heavy scale. In one town in the South, several fires were started, but they were soon put out. Very few casualties were caused anywhere. Two enemy bombers were destroyed during the night."

"Fire parties organised only last week proved their efficiency, when during Sunday night's raid, a number of incendiary bombs were dropped on a South-East England village.

It is also likely that war tax on exports will be imposed.

The new taxes do not apply to companies liable for income tax to Britain.

The first reading of the War Tax on Incomes Bill was given at the Legislative Council meeting today.

The DAILY MAIL air correspondent states that a new British fighter plane, Spitfire 3 will shortly come into service according to a message from Sydney.

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Lamotte Picquet Hit By Thai Planes

Engagement During Cruise In Gulf Of Siam

SINGAPORE, Jan. 20 (Reuter)—A Thai Consulate communiqué claims that in a naval engagement on Jan. 17, the French cruiser LAMOTTE PICQUET, leading the French forces, suffered damage from bombs by Thai planes and was forced to retire.

The communiqué admits that Thai units were "slightly damaged."

In the north-eastern sector, it is claimed that Thai forces are still continuing their advance, capturing many prisoners and arms and occupying evacuated strongholds.

In the eastern sector, the advance continued when an enemy force, consisting of three battalions of the Foreign Legion, attacking a Thai force were routed leaving 200 dead on the battlefield, the Thai force capturing truckloads of arms and ammunition, as well as 10 prisoners.

UNIT DISPERSED
HANOI, Jan. 20 (Reuter)—A communiqué issued by Admiral Decoux yesterday declared: "A Thailand advanced unit was dispersed east of Polpot by our motorised units."

"On the Mekong River, we entirely cleared the island of Done-san, 45 miles south-east of Savannakhet."

"During the night of Jan. 17/18 planes bombed Thasakon, Kemmarat and Namkhan."

A later communiqué states that on Jan. 17 units belonging to the French naval forces during a cruise in the Gulf of Siam encountered Thai ships two of which are claimed to have been sunk and a third seriously damaged. There was no loss on the French side.

French planes bombed the aviation field at Prachinburi and also the hangar and barracks at Wad-hama and Aranya where large fires were observed.

Despite very active Thai anti-aircraft fire all the French planes returned safely.

FRENCH DEMARCHE
SHANGHAI, Jan. 20 (Reuter)—The Thai Premier's reaction to the overture by the Acting French Minister to Thailand is not known but a French demarche it is believed will at least pave the way for direct negotiations, says a Japanese report.

Fire bombs were extinguished before any damage was done and before the arrival of two fire brigades.

HEROES OF THE AIR:
VIVID DESCRIPTION OF BRITAIN'S FIGHTER SQUADRONS IN ACTION

The determination and grit with which the pilots of the R.A.F. set about their work of meeting the German raiders and their unfailing sense of humour was described in the course of a broadcast from London yesterday by the GROUP CAPTAIN OF A FIGHTER STATION, somewhere in England.

"We spent the whole of last winter—and what a beastly winter it was—chasing the elusive Hun far out into the North Sea with here and there a success that showed our tenacity of purpose," said the speaker.

OUR TURN COMES
"The Hun was at that time busy beating up Europe and consequently our turn was yet to come. Our turn did come, in no uncertain manner and with remarkable suddenness."

The Police opened fire with a machine-gun, with the result that three of them were killed and the sampan sunk.

POLICE FIRE ON ARMED MEN

While on patrol near Mirs Point at 6.30 p.m. yesterday, No. 1 Police launch contacted an armed party in a sampan.

On sighting the launch, the eight men on board abandoned the boat, and after landing at Griffin Head, took to the hills.

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In the World of Sports



RECREIO'S CHAMPIONSHIP CHANCES JEOPARDISED BY DRAW WITH THE UNIVERSITY

Gosano Brothers In Form: E. L.'s Brilliant Innings

BY "BARNABAS"

A STEADY DRIZZLE STARTED AT ABOUT 2:30 P.M. AND WHICH CONTINUED THROUGHOUT THE AFTERNOON ON SATURDAY caused most cricket matches to be washed off. Only two of the seven matches down in the fixtures for the afternoon were played to a finish, the rest being abandoned after about an hour's play. The League game between the Police and the Civil Service C. C. was not begun at all. The two matches that were played (literally) to the bitter end were between Recreio and University first and second teams. These two matches were played in extremely cold, miserable weather, rain falling practically throughout, excepting for the first half hour.

The University first team, after scoring 44 runs before he was caught by Lo off K. S. Gill, with the exception of H. A. Barros who scored 32 not out, the rest of the Portuguese batsmen met with scant success and the Recreio innings came to an end with the total standing at 131.

E. Mazuza who was put on to bowl very late in the innings was the most successful bowler for the Varsity, taking 4 wickets in 15 runs in 3 overs. R. S. Gill took 3 for 22.

EARLY DISASTER

The University met with disaster very early on, P.M.N. da Silva taking the wickets of K. S. Ooi and Aziz Ahmed in his first over. Silva, who has been in extreme fine form with the ball this season, having already taken 10 wickets for 39 runs in his first two League matches, continued the good work by taking 5 University wickets for 18 runs in 10 overs, 3 of which were maidens.

Against such excellent bowling the University could garner only 68 runs. Kenneth Lo, Amila vanar and R. Soares alone offering any semblance of a stand. The Varsity innings came to a close at 5:30 p.m.

KOWLOON CHESS CLUB TOURNEYS ENDING

C.M. Sequeira Likely To Win Senior "A"

THE SENIOR AND JUNIOR TOURNAMENTS OF THE KOWLOON CHESS CLUB ARE RAPIDLY APPROACHING CONCLUSION and the thoughts of local chess players are turning to the coming Colony Open Championship and Open Junior Championship.

The Senior Open Tournament will commence on Feb. 4 with six players competing and will be completed by the end of March. The competitors will be E. Zimmern (runner-up last year), C. M. Sequeira, D. E. de Carvalho, K. Weiss, G. S. Coxhead and L. Karlovich.

The Junior Open Tournament has so far attracted seven players, though it is expected there may be as many as a dozen competitors by the time entries will close on Jan. 30.

In the case of a large number of entries, the Tournament will be a single round affair. Mr. A. Kurrik, care of the Government Analysts Department, is receiving the entries.

PROBABLE WINNER

C. M. Sequeira looks the probable winner of the "A" Section of the Senior Kowloon Chess Club Tournament and D. E. de Carvalho has already won the "B" Section.

A. Benjamin has won the "B" Section of the Junior Tournament while there are yet three players in the running for top place in the "A" Section.

The following are the latest Kowloon Chess Club Tournament standings:

SENIOR "A"

	P. W. D. L. Pts.
C. M. Sequeira	7 4 3 0 54
G. S. Coxhead	7 4 2 1 5
L. Karlovich	8 4 1 3 41
K. Weiss	6 2 0 4 2
H. A. Samuel	6 0 0 6 0

SENIOR "B"

	P. W. D. L. Pts.
D. E. de Carvalho	9 7 1 1 73
K. M. A. Barnett	8 5 0 3 5
A. Y. Birukoff	9 5 0 4 5
B. D. Evans	8 2 2 4 3
M. W. Olusifeff	7 2 1 4 2
Wm. Lee	8 2 0 6 2

JUNIOR "A"

	P. W. D. L. Pts.
J. Benjamin	10 7 2 1 8
J. H. D'Almeida	10 6 1 3 6
S. Benjamin	9 5 2 2 6
D. Drake	9 5 0 4 5
C. Lee	9 1 0 3 1
J. Waithe	7 0 1 6 1

GOLF TITLE FOR MISS SEQUEIRA

Miss A. Sequeira, winner of the Ladies' Cup, won the women's golf championship of the Country Club, Sheungshui, on Sunday when she beat Mrs. F. E. A. Remedios by 3 and 1.

The results of the first round matches in the Captain's Cup and Men's Foursomes are as follows:

C. H. T. Suen beat M. F. Pinna 3 and 2; K. T. Oei beat J. J. Bas 3 to 2; A. W. Ramsey beat W. C. Hung 2 up; A. R. Pinna beat B. Basto on the 19th; T. Y. C. Lee beat E. J. M. Churn 3 and 1; R. E. Lee beat C. H. Basto 2 and 1; F. X. Silva beat Geo. Lee 2 and 1; A. T. Lee beat A. A. Gutierrez 4 and 3.

B. Basto and H. R. Pinna w.o. from M. A. Simoes and W. G. Williams.

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EXHIBITION SNOOKER

The billiards social, organised by the European YMCA, which has proved such a great success recently, will be resumed at the "Y" tonight.

The highlight of the evening's entertainment will be an exhibition snooker match between A. P. (Spotty) Pereira, of the Club de Recreio, and Cpl. J. H. Harvey, the local Army snooker champion, at 8 p.m.

After the exhibition a novelty competition will be held.

ARTEMIS WINS

The third Ladies' championship series of the Royal H.K. Yacht Club sailed yesterday resulted as follows:-

Finished Pos. Pts.
Artemis 16.22.11 1 8
(Mrs. J. E. Potter).
Maureen 16.23.21 2 6
(Mrs. W. Whittaker).

True Blue 16.23.56 3 4
(Miss H. Crawhall Wilson).
Redshank 16.23.56 4 2
(Miss P. H. Pritchard).

CRUISER SERIES

The second Corinthian cruiser series sailed on Saturday resulted:

Finished Corr. Pos. Pts.
Bonita 18.26.34 1 12
(Mr. E. Cock).
Noreena 18.13.06 2 10
(Mr. F. C. M. Sedgwick).
Evolene 19.58.03 3 8
(Mr. R. J. Minnitt).
Yehonala 19.32.12 4 6
(Capt. G. W. Bateman).
Typhoon 22.24.58 5 5
(Mr. D. Campbell).

SPORTING FIXTURES

TODAY

GOLF.—Royal Hongkong Golf Club—Ladies' Section, Bogey Competition, New Course, Fanling.

HOCKEY.—Triangular Tournament, Hongkong Hockey Club v. British Army (Club ground) 4:30 p.m.

RACING.—Entries close for the Fanling Hunt and Race Club February Race Meeting, 12 Noon.

RUGBY.—Fifths of Small Units League (Sookimpoo) 3 p.m. TOMORROW

BADMINTON—"B" Division: Section "A," J.R.C. v. V.R.C.; Recreio v. King's College; Section "B," St. John's v. K.C.C.; St. Andrew's v. Police.

FOOTBALL.—Kotewall Cup Competition: Army v. Navy (Caroline Hill) 4 p.m.

RIFLE SHOOTING.—Hongkong Rifle Association Shoot at Kowloon City, 1:45 p.m.

RUGBY.—Quadrangular Tournament, Navy v. Police (Causeway Bay) 4:15 p.m.

SWIMMING.—Exhibition Swim by Nipkwo University team (European Y.M.C.A. pool) (time not decided).

CROSSWORD NO. 811

ACROSS

1	Ugly cry	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
5	Charm	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
9	Swarm	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
10	Concern	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
11	Fruit	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
12	Measure	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
13	Song	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
15	Card	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
16	game	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
17	French	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
18	Meal	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
20	Stopped	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
21	up	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
23	Somerset	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
24	town	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
25	Faithful	26	27	28	29	30	31	32
26	Refrain	27	28	29	30	31	32	33
27	Little	28	29	30	31	32	33	34
28	sea-sickness	29	30	31	32	33	34	35
29	Ascer	30	31	32	33	34	35	36
30	tangs	31	32	33	34	35	36	37
31	Coincide	32	33	34	35	36	37	38
32	Arrange	33	34	35	36	37	38	39
33	Sea-god	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
34	DOWN	35	36	37	38	39	40	41
35	Mariner	36	37	38	39	40	41	42

SOLUTION TOMORROW

HANDSOME DIVIDENDS AT MACAO RACE MEETING

Sports Venture Pays \$348 To Lucky Punter

Sports Venture, ably ridden by Mr. J. Nolasco, caused the biggest upset at the January meet of the Macao Jockey Club held at Areia Preta, Macao, on Sunday when it beat the favourite, Lucky Eleven (P. Y. T. Wei) by half a length in the second race of the day.

There was only one win ticket on the former pony and the lucky holder was paid the handsome dividend of \$348 for a modest \$5 bet!

The next best dividend was also paid by J. Nolasco who piloted National Anthem past the post four lengths ahead of the favourite, Cuban Love, which finished a bad third to Black Diamond. National Anthem paid \$8.00 to each of the three punters.

THE RESULTS

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KWANGSI BANS USE OF WINES

The American Red Cross, through its representative in New York City, Dr. Cotul, has responded to Mayor K.C. Wu's New Year appeal for civilian relief in Chungking. Mayor Wu spoke from the Chinese International Broadcasting Station, expressing gratitude for previous contributions from the American Red Cross for the construction of new homes for the air raid victims and first-aid stations.

Dr. Cotul cabled: "Thanks for mentioning the American Bureau of Medical Aid to China in your splendid broadcast. In conformity

COMING EVENTS

21-Tides: High 3:22 a.m. and 4:08 p.m. Low 8:56 a.m. and 11:47 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:05 a.m.; Sunset: 6:04 p.m.
H.K. Rotary Club, Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m. — Speaker: Mr. R. C. Robertson on "The Scotland of Robert Burns."

Entries close for Painting Hunt and Race Club's February Meeting, 12 noon.
Mrs. Lechmere Clift's Bible Class, 9, Hillwood Road, 10:30 a.m.

St. Andrew's Church Council Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

V.D.M.A. (Christ Church Branch), Annual Meeting, at Vicarage, 6 p.m.
A.R.P. Mobile Exhibition — 6 p.m.

9 p.m. — St. Andrew's Wartime Intercession Service, 6 p.m.

S. and S. Home, Prayer and Fellowship Meeting, 8:30 p.m.

Cheerio Club, Whist Drive, 8:30 p.m.

22-Tides: High 4:58 a.m. and 5:10 p.m. Low 8:58 a.m.
Sunrise: 7:05 a.m.; Sunset: 6:05 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

Benefit Performance at King's Theatre in aid of Kumming Mission Hospital, 9:30 p.m.

Cheerio Club, Dance, 8:30 p.m.

Y.M.C.A.: "Twelfth Night" Matinee 5:30 p.m.

Volunteer Nursing Detachment, Lecture on Home Nursing, 5:30 p.m.

Practical Class, 4:30 p.m.

23-Tides: High 6:40 a.m. and 6:12 p.m. Low 12:37 a.m. and 11:02 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:05 a.m.; Sunset: 6:05 p.m.
H.K. Y's Men's Club, Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.

24-Tides: High 8:04 a.m. and 7:07 p.m. Low 1:37 a.m. and 12:07 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:05 a.m.; Sunset: 6:05 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

Asia Lands, Ltd., annual meeting, Mercantile Bank Bldg., 2nd floor, Club, 8:15 p.m.

Old Cheltonian annual dinner, H.K. Queen's College, Prize Day, 11 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

Demonstration by A.R.P., Peak School, 5:45 p.m.

25-Tides: High 9:06 a.m. and 7:53 p.m. Low 2:24 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:04 a.m.; Sunset: 6:07 p.m.
Queen's College Prize Day, 11 a.m.
St. Andrew's Society, "Burns" Dinner, Peninsula Hotel, 7:45 p.m.

26-Tides: High 9:49 a.m. and 8:45 p.m. Low 3:04 a.m. and 14:7 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:04 a.m.; Sunset: 6:08 p.m.
Claims against estate of Charlotte Elizabeth Hastings due.

Y.M.C.A.: Discussion Group, 8 p.m.

27-Tides: High 10:27 a.m. and 9:27 p.m. Low 3:39 a.m. and 2:38 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:04 a.m.; Sunset: 6:08 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

28-Tides: High 11:03 a.m. and 10:08 p.m. Low 4:13 a.m. and 3:19 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:04 a.m.; Sunset: 6:08 p.m.
H.K. Rotary Club, Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.

29-Tides: High 11:38 a.m. and 10:42 p.m. Low 4:47 a.m. and 3:57 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:04 a.m.; Sunset: 6:10 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

H.K. Committee for Student Relief Charity Bazaar, St. Paul's College, Pedder Hill.

30-Tides: High 12:08 p.m. and 11:14 p.m. Low 5:17 a.m. and 4:23 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:03 a.m.; Sunset: 6:11 p.m.
H.K. Y's Men's Club, Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.

H.K. Committee for Student Relief Charity Bazaar, St. Paul's College, Pedder Hill.

31-Tides: High 12:38 p.m. and 11:42 p.m. Low 5:48 a.m. and 5:21 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:03 a.m.; Sunset: 6:11 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

H.K. Extraordinary General Mtg., 6:30 p.m.

H.K. Committee for Student Relief Charity Bazaar, St. Paul's College, Pedder Hill.

32-Tides: High 12:58 p.m. and 11:48 p.m. Low 5:58 a.m. and 5:31 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:03 a.m.; Sunset: 6:11 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

H.K. Extraordinary General Mtg., 6:30 p.m.

H.K. Committee for Student Relief Charity Bazaar, St. Paul's College, Pedder Hill.

33-Tides: High 1:28 p.m. and 11:54 p.m. Low 6:28 a.m. and 5:41 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:03 a.m.; Sunset: 6:11 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

H.K. Extraordinary General Mtg., 6:30 p.m.

H.K. Committee for Student Relief Charity Bazaar, St. Paul's College, Pedder Hill.

34-Tides: High 1:48 p.m. and 12:24 p.m. Low 6:48 a.m. and 5:57 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:03 a.m.; Sunset: 6:11 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

H.K. Extraordinary General Mtg., 6:30 p.m.

H.K. Committee for Student Relief Charity Bazaar, St. Paul's College, Pedder Hill.

35-Tides: High 2:28 p.m. and 1:04 p.m. Low 7:28 a.m. and 6:37 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:03 a.m.; Sunset: 6:11 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

H.K. Extraordinary General Mtg., 6:30 p.m.

H.K. Committee for Student Relief Charity Bazaar, St. Paul's College, Pedder Hill.

36-Tides: High 2:48 p.m. and 1:24 p.m. Low 7:48 a.m. and 6:57 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:03 a.m.; Sunset: 6:11 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

H.K. Extraordinary General Mtg., 6:30 p.m.

H.K. Committee for Student Relief Charity Bazaar, St. Paul's College, Pedder Hill.

37-Tides: High 3:28 p.m. and 2:04 p.m. Low 8:28 a.m. and 7:37 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:03 a.m.; Sunset: 6:11 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

H.K. Extraordinary General Mtg., 6:30 p.m.

H.K. Committee for Student Relief Charity Bazaar, St. Paul's College, Pedder Hill.

38-Tides: High 3:48 p.m. and 2:24 p.m. Low 8:48 a.m. and 7:57 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:03 a.m.; Sunset: 6:11 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

H.K. Extraordinary General Mtg., 6:30 p.m.

H.K. Committee for Student Relief Charity Bazaar, St. Paul's College, Pedder Hill.

39-Tides: High 4:28 p.m. and 3:04 p.m. Low 9:28 a.m. and 8:37 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:03 a.m.; Sunset: 6:11 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

H.K. Extraordinary General Mtg., 6:30 p.m.

H.K. Committee for Student Relief Charity Bazaar, St. Paul's College, Pedder Hill.

40-Tides: High 4:48 p.m. and 3:24 p.m. Low 9:48 a.m. and 8:57 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:03 a.m.; Sunset: 6:11 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

H.K. Extraordinary General Mtg., 6:30 p.m.

H.K. Committee for Student Relief Charity Bazaar, St. Paul's College, Pedder Hill.

41-Tides: High 5:28 p.m. and 4:04 p.m. Low 10:28 a.m. and 9:37 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:03 a.m.; Sunset: 6:11 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

H.K. Extraordinary General Mtg., 6:30 p.m.

H.K. Committee for Student Relief Charity Bazaar, St. Paul's College, Pedder Hill.

42-Tides: High 5:48 p.m. and 4:24 p.m. Low 10:48 a.m. and 9:57 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:03 a.m.; Sunset: 6:11 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

H.K. Extraordinary General Mtg., 6:30 p.m.

H.K. Committee for Student Relief Charity Bazaar, St. Paul's College, Pedder Hill.

43-Tides: High 6:28 p.m. and 5:04 p.m. Low 11:28 a.m. and 10:37 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:03 a.m.; Sunset: 6:11 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

H.K. Extraordinary General Mtg., 6:30 p.m.

H.K. Committee for Student Relief Charity Bazaar, St. Paul's College, Pedder Hill.

44-Tides: High 6:48 p.m. and 5:24 p.m. Low 11:48 a.m. and 10:57 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:03 a.m.; Sunset: 6:11 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

H.K. Extraordinary General Mtg., 6:30 p.m.

H.K. Committee for Student Relief Charity Bazaar, St. Paul's College, Pedder Hill.

45-Tides: High 7:28 p.m. and 6:04 p.m. Low 12:28 a.m. and 11:37 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:03 a.m.; Sunset: 6:11 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

H.K. Extraordinary General Mtg., 6:30 p.m.

H.K. Committee for Student Relief Charity Bazaar, St. Paul's College, Pedder Hill.

46-Tides: High 7:48 p.m. and 6:24 p.m. Low 1:48 a.m. and 1:07 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:03 a.m.; Sunset: 6:11 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F

NAVAL BASE AT MALTA BY NAZI DIVE-BOMBERS

Six Raiders Downed: Stout R.A.F. Opposition To New Menace In Mediterranean

LONDON, Jan. 20 (Reuter)—The Near East war, in which German dive-bombers and British troops shared the limelight, continued to hold attention yesterday as bad weather drew a screen over the war in the west.

The German air force, seeking to aid Italy by gaining control over central Mediterranean waters, made another attack on the British naval base at Malta yesterday, according to Berlin reports.

No account of the raid has been received from Malta direct but apparently the Germans switched the attack back to the harbour after bombing R.A.F. aerodromes on Saturday.

German dive-bombers are now being protected by German and Italian fighters and the Germans admit losing three more aircraft to R.A.F. fighters who, although outnumbered, shot down six in combat on Saturday, making a total of at least 11 since Thursday.

Damage to R.A.F. property in the German air raid on Malta yesterday was not of a serious nature, states an R.A.F. communiqué issued in Cairo.

British fighters which intercepted a large raiding force were greatly out-numbered. Nevertheless, they shot down six of the raiders and badly damaged a number of others.

As announced at Malta, two British fighters were lost but one pilot was saved.

The German aircraft were Junkers 87 and 88 bombers.

R.A.F. OPPOSITION

The Royal Air Force and the Fleet Air Arm have put up such opposition to the German air threat in the Mediterranean that the Luftwaffe, in the short space of eight days, has been forced to change its tactics, writes Reuter's Air correspondent.

German fighters are now in action besides the Stuka dive-bombers and other bombers also in operation.

These changes are revealed by the Axis High Commands' own versions of the joint air operations. For example, on Jan. 10, Junker 87 dive-bombers were accompanied by Italian torpedo-bombers in an attack on a British convoy in the Sicilian Channel.

On Jan. 15 and 16 heavy raids on Malta were made by Junkers 88 as well as 87 dive-bombers, which were accompanied by Italian fighters.

Significant Vichy Move: M. Laval Back In Favour

LONDON, Jan. 20 (Reuter)—Two moves of possible far-reaching significance were reported from Vichy last night. They referred firstly to the reported forthcoming meeting between Hitler and Mussolini; and secondly, to the conversation between Marshal Petain and his former foreign Minister, Pierre Laval.

A Berne despatch to the Havas Agency says that according to newspaper reports in the Swiss capital, Hitler left Berlin for an unknown destination.

The same despatch adds that a well-informed source in Berne states that Mussolini also left Rome.

It was officially announced in Vichy that Marshal Petain received M. Laval and that all misunderstandings which led to the incidents on Dec. 13 last year, when Laval resigned from the post of Vice-Premier, have now been smoothed out.

No further indication is given in official circles concerning the subject of Marshal Petain's talk with M. Laval.

Observers at Vichy believe, however, states the Havas Agency, that the meeting will have a political sequel shortly.

The meeting took place in a chateau in the Ailler Department. Meanwhile nothing is known in authoritative circles in London of any meeting between Hitler and Mussolini yesterday.

The German radio also made no mention of any meeting having taken place yesterday between Hitler and Mussolini.

NIGHT AIR RAID ON PALESTINE

JERUSALEM, Jan. 20 (Reuter)—The first night air raid on Palestine occurred in the early hours of Saturday morning in bright moonlight.

Two hostile planes dropped bombs on open country in southern Palestine but no damage or casualties were caused.

This is the first raid on Palestine since Haifa was attacked by day on Sept. 29.

ATTACKED

SIAN PAYS TRIBUTE TO GEN. CHU

SIAN paid tribute to the late Gen. Chu Ching-lan, ardent welfare worker and member of the National Relief Commission, as his remains were unconfined this afternoon in a brief but impressive ceremony which was attended by Gen. Chiang Kung-wen, Chairman of Shensi Provincial Government, and many other military leaders including Gen. Hu Tsung-nan and Hsiung Pin.

Flags throughout the city were flown at half-mast in observance of the occasion. Gen. Chu died in Sian on Jan. 13.

According to a Chungking dispatch, a memorial service was held there for Gen. Chu, which was attended by Gen. Feng Yu-hsiang, Vice-President of the National Military Council, Mr. Huang Yen-pai, leading member of the People's Political Council, the Rev. Tai Shyu, and other friends of the deceased.

In honour of the memory of Gen. Chu, a fund is being raised among his friends in Chungking. (Central News).

ITALIANS EVACUATE STRONGLY FORTIFIED POSTS IN KASSALA

CAIRO, Jan. 20 (Reuter)—Fresh successes for the British forces in Africa were announced yesterday with the re-occupation of the strongly defended post of Kassala, on the border of the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan and Italian Eritrea, and the pursuit of Italian troops "on the run."

A communiqué states: "Our troops have re-occupied Kassala. By intensive patrols over a period of a week our troops, at low cost to themselves, have inflicted daily casualties on the enemy, who has been forced to evacuate strongly defended positions in and around Kassala."

"Italian troops all along this front are retreating, pursued and harassed by our mobile detachments."

British pressure on the borders of Abyssinia—inside which Abyssinian patrols are active—continues with "active patrolling in the Metemma region and Gallabat."

NOTHING TO REPORT

It is officially stated there is no change in the situation in Libya and nothing of importance to report in Kenya.

The Italians occupied Kassala, which actually lies 18 miles north of the Eritrean frontier, in July last.

Since November operations by British and Indian troops have been taking place in the hills north-east of Kassala, with a view to threatening the right flank of the Italian force holding Kassala.

TOBRUK BOMBED
Tobruk, against which the R.A.F. resumed the air offensive on Thursday night, was again raided on Friday night.

A huge fire, states an R.A.F. communiqué, was caused near the petrol dumps. Other damage could not be observed owing to the weather conditions but all bombs fell well in the target area.

One Italian bomber was shot down by an Australian squadron.

ONE FIGHTER LOST
R.A.F. operations in Italian East Africa on the same night included the bombing of a large transport yard in Assab, military buildings at Hargeisa in British Somaliland, an enemy camp five miles east of Umm Haqgar, where fires were started, and of Asmara.

One British fighter failed to return from patrol in Libya.

WILLKIE ENVOY TO LONDON?

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20 (Reuter)—"I know nothing of it," Mr. Wendell Willkie declared yesterday to reporters when questioned about reports that he might be appointed Ambassador to London.

Mr. Willkie then flew to Washington for a talk with Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, before setting out for Britain. He added that while he is in Britain he hopes to gather information concerning effects the end of the war might have on British and American economy.

The German occupation authorities in Belgium have ordered the Universities of Brussels, Ghent, Liege and Louvain to re-open, says the German radio. An exchange of professors with German universities is planned.

GENERAL

MR. KENNEDY ADVOCATES UTMOST AID FOR BRITAIN

NEW YORK, Jan. 20 (Reuter)—Broadcasting from New York, Mr. Joseph Kennedy, former Ambassador to Britain, said he advocated the utmost aid for Britain but this must not go to a point where war would become inevitable.

If, after the resources of Britain were used up, he would prefer assistance given by outright gifts.

Mr. Kennedy added: "Many Americans fear Hitler will declare war on the United States if aid to Britain continues but to declare war is outmoded in these days of unbridled force."

"Hitler would declare war on the United States only when he thought such action in his best interests, for the United States has certainly committed acts sufficiently unneutral to justify a less despotic tyrant than Hitler declaring war."

It is not surprising that the American people desire Hitler's defeat, for he has attempted the decivilisation of the world in the name of Nazi pagan philosophy."

Mr. Kennedy declared that after the retreat from Dunkirk and the fall of France the English defences were in a deplorable condition but in spite of such handicaps and in spite of the fact that the conquest of the British Isles would have given Hitler domination of Europe, the Germans have never been able to secure a foothold on that island.

GERMAN BOMBER DOWNED IN CHANNEL

INCENDIARIES RAINED ON S. COAST TOWN

LONDON, Jan. 20 (Reuter)—After a quiet day, marked only by the shooting down by British fighters of an enemy bomber in the Channel, the alert was sounded in London some time after dark last night.

A burst of gunfire was heard soon afterwards but a quiet spell followed.

Enemy aircraft were reported near a West of England town, a Midlands town and an East Anglian town last night.

Large numbers of raiders approached a South Coast town. Incendiaries were showered on it but fire watchers and others were prepared and many were soon extinguished.

There was little German air activity "round our coasts" during yesterday, states an Air Ministry communiqué.

A single enemy plane dropped bombs on an East Coast town in the morning but damage was little and casualties few.

KWANGSI PROVINCIAL HOSPITAL TO RESUME OPERATION

All preparations having been completed, the Kwangsi Provincial Hospital in Nanning, suspended since the Japanese occupation of the city in Nov. 1939, will resume operation in the beginning of next month.

The budget of the hospital has been fixed at \$160,000 annually, to be appropriated by the Kwangsi Provincial Government. (Central News).

INDIAN LABOUR ON SIDE OF ALLIES

CALCUTTA, Jan. 20 (Reuter)—The Indian Labour leader, Mr. M. Roy, addressing the Anti-Fascist Conference yesterday, said: "We must throw in our forces at the side of Britain because she is fighting for our interest."

"Mr. Churchill, leading the front rank of fighters against the bulwark of world reaction, is a greater revolutionary force than all Congress leaders, Right and Left put together, who are only obstructing that fight."

AGRICULTURE CONFAB

The Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry has decided to call an Agriculture and Forestry Conference on Feb. 15 to discuss measures of improvement in these two fields.

The Ministry, it is understood, is planning to establish six large government farms, six collective farms and several forest control bureaux at various places in the current year. (Central News).

SMUGGLED GOLD BARS TO BE CONFISCATED

According to a Shanghai dispatch, the s.s. Shengking, of Butfield & Swire, on its arrival in Shanghai from Tientsin on Jan. 15, was searched by Customs officials who found concealed in its cabins 76 gold bars, \$20,000 worth of Japanese notes, and Chinese silver dollars, amounting to over \$100,000 in total.

As no one has so far claimed for the money, it is said that the Shanghai Customs has decided to confiscate it. (Central News).

CARDINAL TASK OF CHINESE LABOUR MOVEMENT

The cardinal task in the Chinese Labour Movement today is to mobilise all labour to assist in the war of resistance and national reconstruction, declared Mr. H.E. Chu, President of the China Labour Federation, in a Press interview.

Ever since the outbreak of the present hostilities, Mr. Chu said, large numbers of Chinese labourers have joined in wartime services, winning approval from international labour organisations.

During the past year, the China Labour Federation has exerted strenuous efforts in promoting labour culture and welfare and given guidance to labour unions throughout the country. The Federation has also striven to enlist the support of the labour class of other countries in a common front against aggression.

Messrs. Pan Kung-chuan, Sheng Shih-yuan, Shih Shang-kwan, Wen I-ku, Wu Ta-chun, Lin Ping, Yang Kung-te, Han Li-wu, Hsiao Kung-chuan, and eight others were appointed members of the Examination Committee. (Central News).

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THREE BRITISH SHIPS SUNK BY GERMAN RAIDERS IN THE PACIFIC

MANILA, Jan. 20 (Reuter)—The Manila Bulletin this morning prominently publishes stories by 98 Filipino survivors from three British vessels sunk by German raiders in the Pacific in December.

The reports state there are 12 German raiders in the Pacific and 12 more being fitted out in Japanese ports.

The survivors, who landed in Manila last night, described three raiders which they saw. Two were armed with heavy calibre guns and any of the three could face a light cruiser.

The Narvik, a vessel of about 10,000 tons, was called a black ship without any identification marks. She carried twelve 4-inch and 8-inch guns, with two torpedo tubes.

THREE HEINKELS

She also carried two dive-bombers and three Heinkels and is capable of a speed of 22 knots.

Survivors told vivid stories of their ordeal but said they were well treated.

The other two raiders were both disguised as Japanese and named Tokio Maru and Manyo Maru. 10,000 and 5,000 tons, respectively.

The Manyo Maru was also heavily armed while the Tokio Maru serves as a supply ship.

SHELLED NAURU

The Japanese version of the survivors account says the Narvik is a 10,000-ton pocket-battleship which recently shelled Nauru Island.



Vice-Admiral Sir Andrew B. Cunningham, K.C.B., D.S.O., Commander-in-Chief of the Mediterranean Fleet, promoted to the rank of full Admiral.

Enemy Withdrawal From Kassala Continues

CAIRO, Jan. 20 (Reuter)—Today's communique states that in LIBYA there is nothing to report. ENEMY WITHDRAWAL FROM THE KASSALA FRONT CONTINUES.

The localities round Tessenei, which the Italians had strongly fortified, were occupied yesterday without opposition by our troops who are now operating eastwards in contact with the retreating enemy.

Organising Abyssinian Patriots

KHARTOUM, Jan. 20 (Reuter)—A British officer recently flew to a secret rendezvous to contact the British mission is helping to organise Abyssinian patriots.

Messages from this isolated British-Ethiopian outpost working under the very noses of the Italians suddenly ceased and it was suspected the British mission had been captured.

When British major took over the organisation of revolt from Sudan a few weeks ago, the first step was to endeavour to find out whether the mission was still in function.

He sent a message telling the British colonel in charge of the mission that he was coming by air and asking the preparation of a landing place on the highest point in the neighbourhood to which he must be guided by signals.

PERILOUS LANDING

Making a perilous landing on the "pocket handkerchief aerodrome" they were greeted by thousands of cheering Abyssinian patriots in whose midst were the mission's colonel and captain.

The major's promised aid was fulfilled when R.A.F. machines made a heavy bombing attack on an adjacent Italian stronghold.

The full story of the British mission tells how, to the drone of Italian planes overhead, the British colonel read a proclamation from Emperor Haile Selassie to assembled crowds of Abyssinians at Gojjam where the mission has established headquarters.

The knowledge that the mission was in Abyssinia and that the Emperor was near at hand, plus the activities of the R.A.F., has raised the morale of the Abyssinians to a high standard.

TOKYO, Jan. 20 (Reuter)—At an extraordinary meeting lasting from 7.30 p.m. until five minutes past midnight, the Cabinet approved a Draft Bill revising the electoral law under which only males above 25 years of age, who heads households, will be enfranchised while the number of seats in the Lower House will be reduced from the present 466 to 400.

In Kenya, by offensive action our mobile detachments have steadily gained ground and inflicted casualties on the enemy.

The importance of the British capture of Kassala is emphasised by an expert in London yesterday.

It is now known that the Italians had in Kassala when they evacuated on Jan. 17, two divisions of colonial troops, two Blackshirt battalions and a large number of native levies. An inferior British force, by a series of minor successes, caused a major defeat of the enemy and compelled them to evacuate the position which they had time and opportunity to strengthen.

Kassala, capital of Sudan province, gave the Italians control of the railway, and roads made them more secure from attack from the west and especially provided a magnificent starting point for an Italian invasion of the Sudan.

It is very difficult to understand why the Italians did not take advantage of their position.

Meanwhile, British mechanised patrols were busy to the north, south and even behind Kassala itself, assisted by the R.A.F. who bombed Kassala on several occasions.

The Italians suffered considerable losses by the bombing, shelling and ambushing of small bodies of men while important communications were also cut behind the Italian lines.

BIGGEST ACTION

Perhaps the biggest action was in November, when north of Kassala, a patrol destroyed a force of nearly 1,000 Italian troops. In the middle of December, the Italians made a last desperate attempt to push the British out of their position in a frontal attack just north of Kassala.

Beaten off with heavy losses, they gave up the initiative and just before Christmas, they prepared to abandon the position.

Italian headquarters in north-east Kassala was evacuated and occupied by the British on Jan. 7 and on Jan. 17, the Italians were reported to have abandoned Kassala, which the British occupied the following day.

The "A" Division Badminton League match between Recreio and University "B", which was to have been played last night, was postponed to Friday.

Vivid Description Of Fighter Squadrons

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"Towards the end of May, we were thrown into the great Battle of Dunkirk and charged with covering the evacuation of our army in the face of the whole might of the German Air Force. How can I best describe those momentous days? What a target those beaches were, for the Huns, with every imaginable kind of boat crowded with the flower of the British Army and the sea between these shores and Dunkirk jetty crowded with troops, until the way home looked for all the world, as one of my pilots described it to me, like Piccadilly in the rush hour."

"What a task it was for the fighter squadrons. I wish I could give you the picture as I saw it. How they worked from the dark of four o'clock in the morning until the dark of eleven o'clock at night, facing the whole German Air Force, protecting a target such as the Huns must have dreamed about."

HOUR AFTER HOUR

"For eleven days, hour after hour, my squadron fought the Germans off though they were heavily outnumbered. Large numbers of bombs were let loose harmlessly into the sea as our squadrons went into the attack and many enemy pilots went with them. The bags of planes were terrific."

During those eleven days my squadron alone destroyed 120 planes, with a further 75 so badly damaged that they probably never reached their home base. Nice work, when one remembers that we were fighting with every practical disadvantage. We were fighting over enemy territory and at odds of seven and even ten to one. And yet our losses were less than one-tenth of the casualties inflicted on the enemy."

TERRIFIC STRAIN

"What a strain it was—a strain that could be seen on the faces of my boys. They went into action dizzy with fatigue, but knowing how much depended on them—and they came out as they went in, with light hearts and determination."

MEMORABLE DATES

"Do you remember such dates as the 11th, 15th and 22nd of September when our fighter squadrons shot down 500 enemy aircraft in three days and that this did not include those who went home with a packet of trouble or fell into the sea?"

"When October broke, the Hun had had his fill of daylight raiding. They took to night bombing of London, contenting himself by sending over swarms with enormous numbers of his high flying fighters, some of which carried bombs."

"These tip-and-run raids were carried out at 30,000 feet and over and were difficult to deal with. These weeks were bad ones for my station, but we checked up with another 82 destroyed."

"They were in radio touch with me and after a few minutes I heard this conversation: 'Hi! Al! There's a whole horde of Huns coming!' and then the reply 'O.K. Johnny—keep them off, I'll be up in a minute.'

"In the meantime a 109 had got on to the trainer's tail and the pilot tried to shake him off the tail. By this time the two Spitfires had got amongst the 109s and proceeded to shoot down seven of them, with several more not destroyed, but which were seen to crash."

MORE HUMOUR

"The trainer got back on the 109, leaving our two boys in complete possession. They could not join up with the trainer and waved a good-bye and set the course for home."

"Over the Channel I suddenly heard this bit of chat—"Hey, Johnny! Your machine is full of holes!" and the reply "O.K. keep going—I'll have a look at you."

"There was a pause and then 'You're just as bad yourself' and the reply from Al was 'I don't give damn—I am going to do a slow roll. Boy, am I happy!'

The unarmed trainer was taken off before it was captured and hitch-hopped safely home."

AFTER DUNKIRK

"And so on the fourth of June the Dunkirk days were over and we were faced with an enemy a few miles across the border and rapidly occupying aerodromes all along the French and Belgian coast. From these bases he concentrated the whole of his attack on our shipping and often my squadron was engaged in odds at eight to one. But in these weeks the fighters in my station added

135, together with another 60 probables to their bag. During this period one of our squadrons destroyed 20 enemy aircraft in one day for the loss of only two pilots. One pilot got five in the same day."

"Then suddenly, in mid-August, the Hun switched back from our shipping and began to attack our fighter aerodromes, admitting, by this that our fighters were cutting through on him and that his only hope was to smash them and break their morale. By sheer weight of numbers he hoped to do this and to split up the hornets' nest which alone stood between him and the defeat of London."

STEADY TOLL TAKEN

"Their raiders came over day after day and still we were on top. Steadily we took our toll until even the Hun could not take any more. During this period we added another 125 destroyed to our total."

"I hope I am not giving you the impression that this was just too easy. Here and there we had to take a bit ourselves. I remember the days when the enemy bombers did get through. I remember thinking, after each attack, how incredible it was that so many bombs, falling together, could produce such an inferno of noise and create such dense clouds of smoke—and yet, when the smoke cleared away, there was so little damage! But then we were always a lucky station and we were never out of action."

"I remember about Sept. 7, the Hun ceased attacking our aerodromes and threw the whole weight of his forces against London. Over they came in large formations in broad daylight, but with a single objective—London. What a party that was and what a beating we administered to his Luftwaffe!"

COLONY LAWYER SHOT DEAD

SHANGHAI, Jan. 20 (Reuter)—A Hongkong Chinese lawyer, Mr. Tong Yui, 50, was shot and killed in his motorcar when leaving his home in the French Concession this morning.

The motive is believed to be political.

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NEUTRALITY OF SWEDEN REAFFIRMED

DAME MARGARET LLOYD GEORGE DIES AT 75

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 20 (Reuter)—Sweden's strict neutrality is reaffirmed by M. Christian Guenther, the Foreign Minister, yesterday.

Trade with Western countries has practically ceased following the developments in Norway and Denmark, he added.

"Although trade with the Soviet, Germany and Italy has been intensified by recent agreements, this cannot entirely compensate for our isolation from the West, particularly the overseas markets."

FAMOUS 74 SQUADRON D.S.O. FOR PILOT OFFICER

LONDON, Jan. 20 (British Wireless)—Pilot Officer H. M. Stephen of the famous 74 squadron, is the first R.A.F. officer to receive the D.S.O. in the field and amongst numerous congratulatory letters he received, are several from pilots of the original 74 squadron, which first went into action on April 12, 1918.

This squadron accounted for something like 230 enemy machines in the last war at a cost of 20 of their own.

Closer Axis Military Ties

3,793 KILLED: 5,043 INJURED

LONDON, Jan. 20 (B.W.S.)—Three thousand seven hundred and ninety-three civilians were killed in the United Kingdom during Dec. 1940, as a result of enemy air raids, while 5,043 were injured and sufficiently seriously to warrant their detention in hospital.

An analysis of these figures published by the Ministry of Home Security shows that 1,681 men, 1,434 women and 521 children under 16 were killed and 2,962 men, 1,775 women and 307 children were injured.

The remaining 147 persons killed are not classified.

ACTING PREMIER OF AUSTRALIA

Mr. A. W. Fadden, Federal Treasurer in the Australian Government assumed office as acting Prime Minister of Australia yesterday, during the absence of Mr. R. G. Menzies overseas, states a message from Sydney.

No Representations To Chungking By Soviet Embassy

CHUNGKING, Jan. 20 (Reuter)

The report that the Soviet Embassy here has made representations to the Chinese Government concerning the latter's action in disbanding the New 4th Army is absolutely untrue, according to authoritative Chinese sources who say no representations, official or otherwise, have been received from the Embassy.

Rome issued no communiqué regarding the meeting.

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ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

AT CENTRAL

AT KOWLOON

VISITOR VICTIMISED

"It is a serious offence stealing from an employer," was the comment Major A.N. Macfadyen made, when he imposed a fine of \$200, or in default, six months' hard labour, on Ho Po, 49, shop boy, convicted of stealing \$1,000, consisting of \$500 in, \$50 in, and \$50 notes, the property of Yam Ho-wan, at No. 47, Queen's Road Central, ground floor, on Jan. 16, he being in the employ of the latter.

Prosecuting, Det.-Sgt. W. Summers said that the money was put in a drawer by the complainant on the night of Jan. 16. Finding it gone the next morning, he informed the Police, who recovered half of the sum hidden in an obscure place in the house. On Jan. 18, acting on information, the Police searched defendant's bed, with the result that \$480 was found in a hole.

COOLIE FINED

Pleading guilty to the theft of an "Oldham" marine signalling torch from a ship lying at Taikoo Docks, a dock coolie, Leung Yu, 40, was fined \$25 or two months' hard labour by Major Macfadyen yesterday.

The signalling torch, valued at U.S. \$20, was found on the person of defendant during a routine search.

JUVENILE ASSAULTED

Appearing before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, yesterday, a 12-year-old married woman, Tse Siu-ki, was charged with assaulting a five-year-old child, Chan Mun-ying, daughter of her husband's second wife, at No. 166, Johnston Road, second floor, on Jan. 16.

First defendant was fined \$5 while second accused was fined \$10.

SOLDIERS REMANDED

Two soldiers of Nanking Barracks, Richard Head, 23, and Ralph Aldridge, were charged before Mr. Himsworth yesterday with obtaining credits by fraud and with malicious damages of waste basin, a door and padlock at Kowloon Hotel.

It was alleged that defendants went to the Hotel and partook of drinks and sandwiches to the total value of \$6.50 without paying for them.

Defendants pleaded not guilty to the charge and hearing was fixed for Thursday at 11.30 a.m.

ROBBERY CHARGE

Alleged to have robbed Kwok Wing of \$83 in Hongkong currency, a blanket, overcoat, lamp, a quantity of rice and peanut oil at Capsumun on Thursday last, Tsang Shing, 36, fisherman, Leung Kau, 27, fisherman, Chan Chang nut, 32, Chan Sik-kwan, 29, shop keeper, Wong Kam, 33, fisherman, and Cheung Hee, 50, steersman, were charged with robbery by two or more before Mr. Himsworth yesterday.

Det.-Sgt. Bethell asked for a remand of three days which was granted.

TECHNICAL OFFENCE

Appearing before Mr. Himsworth yesterday Leung Ching-fok of boat No. 2884V, was charged with moving rice in the Harbour without a permit from the Controller of Food.

Hearing was adjourned to Feb. 11, at 2.30 p.m.

TAIKOO DOCK THEFT

Charged with stealing nine-and-a-half pounds of nuts and bolts from Taikoo Docks, Chan Kwei, 36, dock coolie, appeared before Major Macfadyen yesterday, when he was fined \$25, or two months' hard labour.

The defendant had one previous conviction.

SOCCER FOUL SEQUEL

How a friendly football game resulted in the wounding of one man and the arrest of another was related before Major Macfadyen yesterday.

The arrested man Tai Tin-sang, 19, master of Ng Wah bicycle shop, Electric Street, who was charged with assaulting Leung Chung-win, 17, bottle coolie, of Messrs. A. S. Watson and Company, Ltd.

Defendant and complainant were on opposing sides in a football match staged in Electric Street on Nov. 6. They started to quarrel over a foul. Complainant, sensing that he was up against great odds, when the majority of players sided with defendant, ran away. Defendant chased him, and outside No. 88 in the same street, stabbed him in the back with a sharp instrument.

A fine of \$20, or two weeks' hard labour, was imposed.

Det.-Sgt. A. Shaw said that complainants, Ip Han, woman, and Au Ng, went for a walk from

SAIKUNG INLAND LOT
AUCTIONEDSpecial Condition Included
At Sale For First Time

FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THE HISTORY OF CROWN LAND SALES the special condition that "no person shall be eligible to bid at the sale who has not previously delivered to the auctioneer a written approval signed by His Excellency the Governor or by an officer duly authorised by him in that behalf. Such approval to be applied for at the Colonial Secretary's Office not later than the 18th January, 1941," was included in the conditions of sale when Sai Kung Inland Lot No. 6, situated near Tai Shui Hang, New Territories, was put up for public auction at the Public Works Department yesterday.

Among the 36 conditions (18 general and 18 special) were:

4. . . . the Purchaser of the Lot shall, within three days of the day of sale, pay into the Colonial Treasury the full amount of Premium at which the Lot shall have been purchased.

1 (Special). The Purchaser, his executors, . . . shall not except by way of mortgage, assign, underlet or part with the possession or otherwise dispose of the lot in question or any part thereof or any interest therein nor enter into any agreement to do so without the consent of the Governor unless and until he has expended upon the erection of buildings on the lot the sum required in clause 9 of the general conditions of sale (\$30,000), and

SHALL NOT ASSIGN

7. The Purchaser shall not assign, underlet or part with the possession of the lot or any part thereof without first obtaining the written consent of the Governor but such consent shall not be unreasonably withheld in the case of an assignment or underletting to a body corporate established under and subject to the laws of some part of His Majesty's dominions and having its principal place of business in those dominions provided that the purpose for which such body corporate is acquiring the lot or any part thereof is known and deemed to be satisfactory."

SEN'T TO SESSIONS

Four Chinese, including three women, who were charged with possession of dangerous drugs, were committed to Criminal Sessions by Mr. Himsworth yesterday. Accused were Tang Fong, 37, Tam Chan, 39, married woman, Tsui Mui, 28, widow, and Chan Tai, 49, widow, who were arrested at No. 7, Tung On Street, where 21,000 heroin pills, 7/4 ounces of heroin paste and a quantity of apparatus for the manufacturing of heroin pills were found.

MARINE COURT

STEERSMAN FINED

Young Tik, steersman of cargo junk No. T497SH, was fined a total of \$12, or 14 days hard labour in lieu thereof, when he pleaded guilty before Lt.-Comdr. J. Jolly, R. N. R., yesterday to the charges of (a) failing to carry an anchor (white) light whilst anchored in the Southern Fairway at 2 a.m. on Jan. 20, and (b) causing an obstruction by "anchoring" at the Southern Fairway on Jan. 20.

Defendant pleaded that the light was on when he went to sleep and must have been blown out by the wind. As to the second charge, accused stated that he originally anchored at the Central Fairway, and that the boat was carried by the tide.

The prosecuting officer, Sgt. Innes, agreed that both were quite possible as, at the time the police boarded the junk all the folks were asleep. There was also a fair tide and wind at the time.

D. O. SOUTH

STOLE BARBED WIRE

Liu Koon-pang, who was remanded on Saturday after he had pleaded guilty to stealing 39 catties of barbed wire from the wire barricades at Sheung Kwai Chung village, Tsun Wan, on Jan. 16, pleaded guilty yesterday to the additional charge of returning from banishment.

Sentence of one month's hard labour, concurrent, on each count was passed by Mr. S. F. Balfour.

EXPULSION ORDER

Lui Yau was ordered to be expelled from the Colony when he pleaded guilty, before Mr. Balfour yesterday, to the charge of possession of 45 catties wild tree wood, valued at 90 cents, at Tai Kwei Wan, Cheung Chau, on Jan. 18.

THIEF OF CLOTH

Sentence of six weeks' hard labour was passed on Lam Ping, by Mr. Balfour yesterday, when he pleaded guilty to the larceny of one roll of cloth from the steam launch Man Hong, at Cheung Chau Harbour, on Jan. 18. The value of the cloth was \$15.

Defendant had two previous convictions.

POSSESSION OF AMMUNITION

On the application of S. L. McMahon, Li Cho-ze was remanded for 48 hours when he appeared before Mr. Balfour yesterday charged with the possession of 200 rounds of ammunition at the Cheung Chau wharf on Jan. 18.

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GIFT TO ST. DUNSTAN'S

A sum of £288-13-5 has been remitted by the Hon. Treasurer, British War Organisation Fund, to the Chairman, St. Dunstan's London, made up of subscriptions to the B.W.O. Fund specially ear-marked for that Institution.

POLICE REPORTS

Li Chik, residing at No. 351 Des Voeux Road Central, has reported to the Police that someone broke into the house on Sunday night and stole \$1,157 in money.

Clothing and money to the total value of \$864 has been reported stolen from his residence by Sze To-chun, of No. 3 Kwai Wah Lane.

Mr. E. E. Robinson, residing at the Harbour View Hotel, reports that his car, No. 4638, which was parked outside Union Building on Sunday between 2.30 p.m. and 3 p.m., had been stolen.

Mr. T. Warren, of No. 4 Felix Villa, has also reported the theft of his car, No. 3785, which was parked outside his residence on Sunday.

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"Before you go on for your New Year's Holidays, I hope your Headmaster and masters will speak to you about Hongkong and what you and I owe to the British Government for protection and just administration in Hongkong," said Mr. J. Ralston, M.A., Senior Inspector of Schools, at the Prize Day of the Saiyingpun Vernacular School for Boys yesterday.

There was a large attendance of parents, relatives, and friends of the boys, and the beautifully decorated hall was filled long before the time set for the ceremony. Among those present were Mr. Y. P. Law, Senior Inspector of Vernacular Schools, Prof. Hsu Ti-shan, Mr. Ma Kam, Mr. T. R. Howell, and Mr. Kwong Tsing-ming.

HEADMASTER'S REPORT

Presenting his report for 1940, the Headmaster said, in part:

During the year there have been certain changes in the staff. Mr. Leung Kwok Tsun, our Physical Training Master, left the Education Department in April and Mr. Wong Kwok Fong one of our full-time masters, had to take up some teaching work in some afternoons at the Teachers' Training College.

At the same time Mr. Tse Long Chiu, our experienced clerk, was transferred to the Education Office.

Men must come and go as required by circumstances, but too many changes are always unfortunate in that they would adversely affect the continuity of work. I can assure Mr. Yip and Mr. Pao that they will go with our best wishes, and we cordially hope that both of them will enjoy many happy years of retired life.

HIGH ATTENDANCE

The maximum enrolment of the year was 249 and average attendance 97.7 per cent. I am happy to say that our percentage of attendance is always high, which reflects our boys' good health in general and regularity of work.

To continue our scheme of the previous year, we started in September two new classes, Lower Primary III and IV, by eliminating class Normal II and one section of Higher Primary II. The completion of this scheme means that we have at present entirely given up our Normal Division and have established four consecutive Lower Primary classes so that our school begins with class Lower Primary I and leads up consecutively to class Higher Middle II.

SATISFACTORY EXAMINATIONS

The nine classes of the school were highly satisfactory in their annual examination, their average percentage of pass being 86.15.

In February the Exhibition of Kwangtung Cultural and Historic Objects held at the Fung Ping Shan Library invited university undergraduates and middle school boys in the Colony to send in Chinese commentary essays on all categories of its exhibits. As a result, of the first ten papers chosen by a board of examiners, three were submitted by pupils of this school. I am always of the opinion that without some general culture as its basis, education must be a very dull and mechanical process for the preparation for the pupil's future life.

SPHERE OF SPORTS

It is regrettable that our activities in the sphere of sports have been limited by our unusual lack of playgrounds. Our Senior Volley Ball team entered for the Inter-school League matches and turned out Runners-up, sharing this honour with St. Paul's College.

At the end of last February the Hon. Mr. Li Tsing-fong and Mr. Kwong Tsing-ming relinquished their posts as our Hok Tuan representing the Pan-Hok-Tuan, and in their stead Mr. Kwok Yau Ting and Mr. Fung Heung Chuen were appointed by the Government. The Pan-Hok-Tuan Scholarships are no small encouragement to our boys, especially during the present trying period of time.

M.R. RALSTON'S ADDRESS

Addressing those present, Mr. Ralston said:

I wish my knowledge of Chinese is good enough for me to speak to



Shortage Of Meat And Vegetables

GREAT NEW YEAR DEMAND

Shortage of meat and vegetables has been felt in the Colony in the past few days owing to interruption of shipments from Kwong-chowwan and Chungshan, the two main sources of supply, and the great demand during the coming Chinese New Year.

Two steamers which were expected to bring large shipments of cattle, pigs and fowl from Kwong-chowwan to the Colony, arrived without a single item of live stock.

The authorities at Kwongchowwan have placed further restrictions on exports owing to the local demand. Supplies from Chungshan are also small due to difficulties in communication.

AVERAGE PRICES

The current average prices, per catty of various kinds of meat are as follows:

Beef, 75 cents; pork, \$1.05; mutton, 95 cents; chicken, \$1.50 and ducks, 70 cents.

These prices, although lower than in the middle of 1940, are about 20 per cent higher than the prices obtaining last week.

The normal daily consumption in the Colony is about 250 cattle and 400 pigs which the New Territories could not furnish in sufficient quantity.

The shortage will be more acute, owing to the Chinese New Year, if no large shipments of provisions are received from Kwong-chowwan in the meantime.

BENEFIT SHOW FOR HOSPITALS

"DIVERTISSEMENTS" AT KING'S THEATRE

The Benefit Performance of "Divertissements" will be held at the King's Theatre tomorrow, Jan. 22, at 9.30 p.m., in aid of the Kunming and International Peace Hospitals.

The performance, which is under Distinguished Patronage, is jointly sponsored by the Kunming Hospital Appeal Committee and the China Defence League.

Dr. W. W. Yen, Chairman of the Appeal Committee, Mme Sun Yat-sen, chairman of the China Defence League, will receive the many distinguished guests who will be present.

The programme features two young Chinese artists of outstanding accomplishment in their own fields. Miss Al-Lien Tai, "Expressive Dancer" from the West Indies who studied in England at Dartington Hall with the Ballets Jooss, is making her final appearance in Hongkong before leaving for the interior of China.

The accompaniment to her dances will be played by Mr. J. R. M. Smith, Mus. B., on the Hammond Organ.

CLASS PRIZES

H. M. II.—Ip Man Kui, Leung Yui Yeung, Tang Man Liu, Li Sik Kwan, Chow Ping Kuen, Chow Huk Shing.

Normal Certificates:—Lam Kok Wing, Chan Siu Kai, Chan Siu Tung, Ip Sik Ming, Ng Sze Keung, Kwan Ping Tang, Lo Kwok Cheung, Lam Po Kwong, Mak Hor Yiu, Chung Ming.

Fung Ping Shan Scholarships:—Wong Siu Chow, Chan Wal Ming (Entrance Examination); Ip Man Kui (1st in Chinese, English, and Mathematics, H. M. II); Yu Kwing Kau (1st in Chinese, English, and Mathematics, H. M. I.); Yuen Sze Leung (1st in Chinese, English, and Mathematics, L.M. III); Au Hoo Kee (Charity Scholarship).

OPERATIC SELECTIONS

Soloist of the evening will be Mr. Y. K. Sze, Bass, who is well-known by now to Hongkong audiences. Mr. Sze will also sing two operatic selections with the Chinese Choral Society.

A choir of fifty voices has been assembled by the Chinese Choral Society, conducted by Mr. Fung Hing Tsung, well-known locally as Leader of the Hop Yat Church Choir. Several items will be rendered by the chorus.

Mr. J. R. M. Smith will play two organ solos on the Hammond Organ: "Kleff Processional" by Moussorgsky, and a Scherzo by Percy Whitlock.

SOUVENIR PROGRAMMES

Proceeds of the concert will go to the Kunming Hospital, badly bombed by Japanese planes towards the end of last year, and to the International Peace Hospitals supported by the China Defence League in frontline war areas.

A special Souvenir programme has been printed for the occasion, with Messages from the Sponsors, and details of the artists and programme.

Tickets at prices ranging from \$10 to \$1 are still available at Tsang Fook's, Anderson's and Moutrie's Music Stores, and at the King's Theatre. The Booking Plan for "Divertissements" is at the King's Theatre Advance Booking Office, and patrons are requested to secure their reservations as soon as possible to avoid a last-minute rush.

Chinese:—J. M. II, Leung Char; L. M. I, Leung Sai Wing; H. P. II, Mak King Chung; H. P. II, Yeung Fook Kee; H. P. I, Wong Wing Chi.

Science and Mathematics:—L. M. II, Tam Man On; L. M. I, Leung Sai Wing; H. P. II, Mak King Chung; H. P. II, Yeung Fook Kee; H. P. I, Lal Wing Hung; L. P. II, Leung Hing Yan; L. P. I, Yu Sik Chiu.

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Treasury Chest Officer,
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PUBLIC AUCTION.

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements N. S. E. W. ft. ft. ft. ft.	Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
Rural Building Lot. No. 44.		Island Road, near Stanley.	As per sale plan.	About 16,700	180	3,025

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EDITORIAL

DEATH OF MR.
D.G. WILL

Mr. David Gordon Will, Second Engineer of the "Kinshin," well-known seaman on the China Coast, died in Macao on Saturday morning following a stroke.

The late Mr. Will is survived by a brother and sister in Scotland. He had been serving on the Coast for about 25 years.

At the time of his death he was employed by the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co.

question, the American camp is divided into three sections—the all aid to Britain, even at the risk of war, majority, the pacifists and the isolationists.

NEITHER the pacifists nor the isolationists are against giving aid to Britain, but their objections to the bill are based on the assumption that the bill places unprecedented authority in the hands of the President and that, as a result, America's entry into the war will not be long delayed.

The issue at stake, however, is not whether America will or will not send an expeditionary force to Europe, but that President Roosevelt has committed himself irretrievably to helping Britain in order to prevent an Axis victory on the European Continent and over the British Empire. This is the most important aspect of the "lend or lease" bill and there is no doubt of its effect on the Axis Powers.

President Roosevelt had promised them action and he had given it to them.

"History is now repeating itself," declared Prof. Newell.

"As we watch Mr. Roosevelt's leadership it is repeating itself day by day. We have called for action—this time not in words but in deeds. Not a gesture to a friend if it is convenient without too much sacrifice, but everything Britain may need up to the limit.

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"I have found the British people slow to discover that the Middle-West is as internationally minded as any other part of the United States and it must be remembered that not all democrats are backing the ad to Britain bill and that the large Republican Party is behind Mr. Wendell Willkie in his support of the President.

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"Let us look along this tug-of-war and see where it goes. On one side we have that feeling expressed by Admiral Yates Sterling, who declared that we are at war now and that America should jump into the war with both feet.

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DEFENCE OF AMERICA
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SUPPORTING BRITAIN

"When the smoke of debate has cleared, we will find that our self-interest has leapt the ocean and stands by the side of Britain," said PROFESSOR ARTHUR NEWELL, a prominent American citizen living in England, when he broadcast from London on Sunday night.

"The momentous aid to Britain bill is at last before Congress," said Prof. Newell. "The battle is sharply joined now in the hearings before the Committee. With consummate skill the President has prepared his ground and he had hammered home to the people and politicians alike the supreme importance of the issue."

"Tomorrow (Monday) he will appear before the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court to take his oath as President for a third term. Whether he will strike out on a still bolder course, only tomorrow will tell.

1934 CRISIS

Prof. Newell referred to the crisis which the United States faced in 1934 when the banks closed their doors and farmers were threatened to march on Washington and boys from the universities were searching for work which never turned up.

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NEWSETTES

Mr. R. C. Robertson will address the Hongkong Rotary Club today on "The Scotland of Robert Burns."

Mr. A. W. Holland of the Furness Far East Company of Manila, has arrived on Hongkong on a business trip. He plans to return to Manila in the near future.

An atmosphere of gaiety prevailed in St. Andrew's Church Hall last evening when St. Andrews Club held their monthly social party.

After staying in Chungking for about three weeks, the two representatives of Reting Hutuketu, Regent of Tibet, will shortly return to Tibet.

The Kwangsi-Shensi long-distance telephone service will be opened for public use on Feb. 1. The charge for each call is a little over \$3, says Central News.

A demonstration of the correct method of controlling and extinguishing incendiary bombs will be given on the Lower Playground of the Peak School at 5.45 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 24.

You and I are not alone in watching the American tug-of-war. Other eyes are also watching it. When Japan got angry at Mr. Cordell Hull, we can understand what they hope the decision will be. When the German press shed tears for the American public, it required no great insight to see which side of the tug-war they are weeping for.

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CORRESPONDENCE

"LA FRANCE LIBRE"

The Editor, H.K. Daily Press

Dear Sir.—I will be very glad if the following letter addressed by General Douglas MacArthur Military Adviser of the Philippines Army to the New Representative of General de Gaulle for the Philippines, M. G. Vilholet be inserted in your esteemed paper.

Commonwealth of the Philippines Office of the Military Adviser Manilla

Jan. 6, 1941.

My Dear Vilholet.—I am delighted at the action you have taken in aligning yourself with General de Gaulle in his struggle for Free France. A decision against the Interior Government of one's own country is always a hard one to make, but in this case the course of action to be properly taken seems to be so clear that you are fully justified in making it. The choice is a simple one: "Is France to be free or slave?" I have complete confidence in ultimate victory, and in such case the result can be materially hastened by the use of French arms. My heartfelt congratulations, and my sincere hope that not only the citizens of France will follow your actions, but that the French Government itself will ultimately see the wisdom of such a course and join in the movement.

When you write General de Gaulle please give him my personal regards and tell him the pride I feel as one who has fought and bled for France in his magnificent attitude and actions.

Most cordially,

Signed: DOUGLAS ARTHUR.

POCKET PICKED

The Editor, H.K. Daily Press

Sir.—Please let me have a chance to speak a few words to your readers as well as to draw the attention to the public.

Early yesterday morning when I went to get the immigration permit from the Immigration Office I was picked pocketed at the loss valued \$5.00 (Banknote). It is due to my unknown of my knowledge at the action of picking my left-hand-pocket; otherwise, I gave that fellow a hard rasp with my full hands. I grieved my loss very much, as I am not a rich person too extravagant to care the small amount of money. That's why I am writing here now.

I do hope the authorities of the Immigration Office should post a note written with "Beware of pick-pockets" (As this slogan is sometimes seen in many other public places in the Colony) inside the office building; so as those pick-pockets are poor in their tricks as well as this is the expected event by everybody.

Yours, etc.,

WONG SH

FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

JANUARY 20, 1941.

On London:—
Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 7/
Bank Bills, on demand 1/3 7/
Credits 4 months' sight

On Shanghai:—
On demand 430

On Singapore:—
On demand 52 3/4

On Japan:—
On demand 1 1/2 1/2

On India:—
Telegraphic Transfer 82 1/2
and demand 82 1/2

On New York:—
Bank Bills, on demand 23 3/8
Credits, 60 days' sight 24 1/3

On Batavia:—
On demand 43 3/4

On Paris:—
Bank Bills, on demand Nom.
Credits 4 months' sight Nom.

On Saigon:—
On demand 101 1/8

On Manila:—
On demand 46 3/4

On Bangkok:—
On demand 119 1/8

On Sterling Notes:—
Bank Buying Rate 1. Nom.

Silver per oz. 23 1/4

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET (REUTER'S SERVICE)

Prev. Today's

	High	Low	Close	Close	Change
New York Cotton, March	10.40	10.38	10.39	10.36	.03 off
New York Rubber, March	19.60	19.50	19.63	19.52	.11 off
Chicago Wheat, May	87	88	86	86	unch.
Chicago Corn, May	63	63	63	63	.01 off
New York Hides, March	13.05	12.97	13.00	12.97	.03 off

NEW YORK COTTON

Close Opening Closing Change

March	10.39/40	10.40/40	10.36/37	.03 off
May	10.44/44	10.44/45	10.41/42	.03 off
July	10.33/33	10.33/33	10.31/31	.02 off
October	9.93 N	9.92/92	9.89/89	.04 off
December	9.87/87	9.86/86	9.83/83	.04 off

Total sales Friday:—63,900 bales.

Last Notice Day for January Cotton is January 23, 1941 (Date of Delivery).

NEW YORK RUBBER

March 19.63/63 19.62b/70a 19.52b .11 off

May 19.50b/54a unquoted 19.41 N .09 off

September 19.40/40 19.45a 19.30/30 .10 off

19.25b/30a 19.30a 19.15 N .10 off

Total sales:—160 tons

CHICAGO WHEAT

May 867/87 867/87 867/86 unch.

July 813/814 813/814 813/814 1 off

September 823/823 817/817 817/817 1 off

Friday's sales:—4,765,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN

May 631/631 631/631 631/631 .1 off

July 631/631 631/631 631/631 1 off

September 631/631 631/631 631/631 1 off

NEW YORK HIDES

March 12.97/97 13.00/00 —

June 12.60/63 12.67/67 12.64b/67a .04 up

Total sales for the day:—24 contracts

NEW YORK COCOA

March 5.07 N 5.08b/10a 5.07 N unch.

May 5.13 N 5.12b/17a 5.13 N unch.

NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 3:

March 1.99b/200a — 2.00b/01a .01 up

May 2.04b/05a — 2.04b/05a unch.

Volume of business done:—126 lots

NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 4:

March 73b/74a 73b/75a 73b/73a unch.

May 76b/77a 75b/77a 76b/77a unch.

Volume of business done:—NII

NEW YORK COFFEE FUTURES

March 11.38b/44a 11.32b/45a 11.39b/45a .01 up

July 11.25b/30a 11.20b/35a 11.34/34 .09 up

N.Y. Official Silver 34 3/4

N.Y.-London Cross Rate 4.03-1/2

4.03-1/4

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

London, Jan. 17.

The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

The £65,000,000 Treasury Bills offered were allotted at the average rate of £1/22d per cent.

Applications rose from 134.7 to 146 million which is attributed to the Overseas Central Bank requirements and consequently the market's supply of Bills dropped from 36 to 27 cent.

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LONDON MONEY MARKET

LONDON, Jan. 20 (Reuter)—In the money market yesterday despite the demand for tax payments, loanable supplies remained plentiful for all short-term borrowers.

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INDO-BURMA TRADE PACT PARLEY

RANGOON, Jan. 20 (Reuter)—

It is learned that negotiations for a new Indo-Burma trade agreement will commence at New Delhi on Feb. 1. The Burmese delegation will be led by the Premier.

HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Mondays, Jan. 20, 1941.

SALES

China Providents 1,000 \$ 5.80

1,100 5.70

China Lights 200 6.30

China Lights Rts. 500 .97

55 .95

Cements 500 .97

500 18.00

H.K. Docks (O) 100 18.50

100 18.50

H.K. Electrics (O) 100 40.75

200 40.75

H.K. Tramways 500 18.40

H.K. Hotels 500 3.60

H.K. Ropes 500 8.25

Peak Trams (N) 50 3.50

Lane Crawfords 35 7.50

Star Ferries 100 63.50

Unions 7 41.00

5.787

The total value is \$59,557.75.

United Steel 23/9

Woolworths 56/3

Marmar Investments 7/8

Western Holdings 11

Sub-Nigel 156/3

Shell Trans & Trad. 46/3

Bearers ex. div.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

JANUARY 19, 1941.

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Last Sale Jan. 18



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S.S. "PRESIDENT MONROE" Feb. 9
S.S. "PRESIDENT GRANT" Mar. 23
S.S. "PRESIDENT JACKSON" Mar. 23

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HEIAN MARU Saturday, 25th Jan.

SOUTH AMERICA (WEST COAST) via Hilo & San Francisco.

SAKURA MARU (starts from Kobe), Saturday, 25th Jan.

NEW YORK via Japan & Panama NOZIMA MARU Thursday, 30th Jan.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manilla SUWA MARU Wednesday, 29th Jan.

HAIPHONG, SAIGON & MADRAS TOTTORI MARU Wednesday, 22nd Jan.

BOMBAY via Singapore & Colombo. BARUNA MARU Tuesday, 28th Jan.

TOYAMA MARU Tuesday, 11th Feb.

RANGOON & CALCUTTA via Singapore TOBA MARU Tuesday, 28th Jan.

KOBE & YOKOHAMA KAMO MARU Thursday, 23rd Jan.
YAWATA MARU Tuesday, 28th Jan.
ASAMA MARU Tuesday, 11th Feb.

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PASSENGERS

The following left Hongkong by the President Taft on Sunday:

Mr. David Benson, Mr. Paul Benson, Mr. H. V. Colaco, Mr. W. R. Collette, Comdr. J. M. Creighton, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Dassier, Miss Elaine Edwins, Mr. Dwight Edwins, Mr. M. Frassetto, Miss Pauline French, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Gaffney, Mrs. H. J. Gravem, Miss Ruth Gravem, Miss Verna May Gravem, Mr. Howard Gravem, Mstr. Charles Gravem, Mstr. Paul Gravem, Mr. Randall Gould, Mr. Arthur W. Hensen, Mr. Howard J. Hansen, Mr. A. E. Hughes, Mr. Francis Kelly, Mr. L. W. King, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Landis, Miss Margaret Landis, Miss Barbara Landis, Mr. R. Z. Levi, Mrs. Selma Lindell, Mr. David Lindell, Mrs. M. S. Myers, Miss Helen Myers, Miss Gertrude Raetz, Rev. and Mrs. M. W. Rankin, Mstr. Whiffield Rankin, Mrs. Rex Ray, Miss Lots Ellen Ray, Miss Mary Bee Ray, Mstr. David Ray, Mstr. Daniel Ray, Mrs. H. F. Ross, Mstr. Jack Terry Ross, Miss Patricia Lynn Ross, Miss Euclid Schwendener, Miss Lois Schwendener, Mr. Ronald Seaton, Mr. Wallace Seaton, Miss Ruth Skinsnes, Miss Gertrude Sovik, Dr. and Mrs. C. U. Strait, Miss E. Strait, Mstr. D. Strait, Mstr. R. Strait, Miss Jean Thomas, Mr. Robert Thomas, Mr. D. J. Tosevic, Mr. C. H. Unbehau, Miss Gertrude Wahl, Miss Helen Wahl, Father William Westhaven, Mrs. F. T. Woodward, Miss Adell Woodward, Miss Betty Woodward, Miss Gienna Woodward.

FORMER U.S. OFFICIAL AT HEAD OF SHIP LINE

Henry F. Grady, who submitted his resignation as assistant secretary of state to President Roosevelt, was named president of the American President Lines as a joint meeting of directors and stockholders of the company recently.

Widely known in the bay region as former dean of the University of California College of Commerce and as manager of the foreign trade department of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce for many years, Dr. Grady succeeds the late Joseph R. Sheehan, who died last March.

STOCKHOLDERS' CHOICE

Appointment of Grady, a prominent figure in international trade matters for two decades, was voted by the line's stockholders. Controlling stockholder is the U. S. Maritime Commission.

He had been assistant secretary of state since August, 1939, dealing especially with trade matters, but also handling some shipping questions. He previously headed the trade agreements division of the State Department.

During the post World War I era he was sent to London and continental Europe as U. S. trade commissioner. In 1921 he was appointed to the University of California post and served as dean of the College of Commerce for ten years, beginning in 1928.

C. OF C. PRAISE

From 1922 to 1934 he served as trade advisor for the Chamber of Commerce here.

"Mr. Grady served with great distinction and everybody in the Chamber of Commerce is delighted with his steamship appointment," said Walter A. Haas, chamber president.

During 1934 Grady was chairman of the San Francisco regional labour board.

WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory

10 a.m., Jan. 20.

Barometer, (at sea level). 30.11 ins

Temperature, 61 F.

Humidity, 60 per cent.

Wind Direction, N.E.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 2.

Temperature: Maximum yesterday,

73 F.

Temperature: minimum last night,

57 F.

Rainfall, for 24 hrs. ending 10 a.m. today, 0.17 ins.

Total rainfall since January 1st,

1.11 ins.

Against an average of, 0.50 ins.

Sunset tonight, 6.03 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 7.05 a.m.

4 p.m., Jan. 20.

Barometer (at sea level). 30.03 ins.

Temperature, 61 F.

Humidity, 68 per cent.

Wind Direction, E/N.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 4.

Maximum temperature, 64 F.

Minimum temperature, 57 F.

Rainfall, nil.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 21 to 27 Jan. 1941.

HIGH WATER. LOW WATER

Days of Week. Date of Month. Hong Kong Standard Time. Height. Hong Kong Standard Time. Height.

b. m. h. m. h. m. h. m.

Tues. 21 03 22 4 9 08 57 3 7

16 08 5 9 23 07 2 9

Wed. 22 04 58 4 4 09 56 3 1

17 10 6 3 —

Thur. 23 06 40 5 9 03 37 2 3

18 12 6 6 11 02 3 4

Fri. 24 08 04 4 3 01 37 1 6

19 07 4 4 09 24 3 5

Sat. 25 09 06 7 4 13 0 3 4

19 55 7 4 13 0 3 4

Sun. 26 09 49 4 5 0 0 0 0

0 45 7 6 13 4 3 4

Mon. 27 10 27 8 1 3 39 0 7

21 27 7 1 14 38 3 2

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NOTIFICATIONS TO MARINERS

The following amendments to Harbour Office Notice No. 6/1941, dated Jan. 6, 1941, have been notified by the Harbour Master, Lt.-Comdr. J. Jolly, R.N.R., yesterday:

BANGKOK BAR

"DETAILS"—amended to read: "All lights at Bangkok have been extinguished."

"REMARKS"—The tide signals are no longer shown for passing vessels.

CHARTS AFFECTED are the Admiralty Chart No. 2720, and Bangkok Charts Nos. 099, 2414, and 2720.

NORTH LANTAU MINEFIELD

Mariners are warned that paragraph (1) of Notice No. 185/1939 of Oct. 31, 1939 has been amended as follows:—Extension of One and a half miles on either side of the line joining Pillar Point and Red Point (Chu Lu Kok).

Masters of native craft and others in possession of "Minefield Charts" should immediately amend them accordingly.

THE WEATHER

Maximum temperature yesterday was 84 and the minimum 57 compared with 73 and 55 on Sunday.

Total rainfall since Jan. 1 is 1.11 inches against an average of 0.50.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 1941.

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**EDUCATION
IN A.R.P.
METHODS****BIG TURNOUT AT
SHAUKIWAN**

The first of a series of A.R.P. mobile exhibitions, to be staged in different parts of the Colony on various dates, was held in the Shaukiwan district from 6 to 9 o'clock last night.

The exhibition is being undertaken to infuse proper air raid protection methods into the minds of residents.

In the form of a short play, the demonstration attracted a great crowd last night, owing to its novelty and comedy touch.

Unfortunately, however, good hearing was impossible at a distance of about 15 metres from the platform, due to noise. The installment of "a" loudspeaker might give better results.

THE PROGRAMME

Starting from today, exhibitions will take place both on the Island and on the mainland. Following is the programme:—

Hongkong: Today—Quarry Bay, Marble Road, Chung Yung Street, Electric Road (near Oh Street), Bay View Police Station.

Tomorrow—Quarry Bay: Lam Sing Street, Dragon Terrace, Wum Sha Street, Tai Hang (foot of Tai Hang Road).

Kowloon: Today—Tsimshatsui: corner of Canton and Peking Roads, corner of Haiphong and Hankow Roads, Canton Road (outside No. 130), Hillwood Road (outside No. 22), corner of Observatory and Kimberley Roads.

Tomorrow—Yau Ma Tei: corner of Shanghai and Bowring Streets, Tak Shing Street (outside No. 9), corner of Chi Woo and Man Lam Streets, corner of Nanking and Temple Streets, junction of Battery and Reclamation Streets.

**H.K. POLICE
RESERVE**

Orders by the Hon. Mr. G. Perdue, Acting Commissioner of Police.

CHINESE COMPANY

Training Course—Part III. Those warned will attend Central Police Station for Part III of Training Course under Sub Inspector (R) Chau Ching Chiu on Monday Tuesday and Thursday, January 20, 21 and 23 respectively at 17.00 hours sharp.

Training Course—Part IV. Those detailed will attend Prince's Building, 1st floor, for Part IV of Training Course under Inspector (R) Lau Shiu Chuen on Wednesday, January 22 at 17.15 hours sharp.

Patrol Duty. Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

INDIAN COMPANY

Patrol Duty. Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

FLYING SQUAD

Patrol Duty. Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

EMERGENCY UNIT RESERVE

Commissioned Constable R468 A. F. Delgado is commended by the Commissioner of Police for quick action and intelligence in giving assistance to the Regular Police on the 11th October, 1940.

Parades. All ranks of the "A" Company will parade at No. 2 Police Station on Wednesday, and Friday, January 22 and 24 respectively at 17.15 hours sharp. Dress—Blue Uniform.

Patrol Duty. Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

**O. EAGER,
D. C. P. (R.)**

Hongkong, Jan. 20, 1941.

**HEADS FUHTAN
UNIVERSITY
ADMINISTRATIVE
CONFERENCE**

Addressing the Szechwan Administrative Conference, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek urged the closest co-operation among the civil, military and Party officials in the province for carrying out reforms in various fields of administration.

In particular, he said, attention should be paid to the problems of food control, opium suppression, and military service, on all of which he gave specific directions.

The session of the conference was devoted to the discussion of problems of the enforcement of the new District Autonomy System and popularisation of education.

In the absence of Gen. Chang Chung, Chairman of the Szechuan Provincial Government, Mr. Hu Tsu-wen, Commissioner of Civil Affairs, presided. (Central News).

RELIEF COMMISSION

The National Government in a mandate announced the appointment of Mr. K. T. Chung, well-known social welfare worker, as a member of the Standing Committee of the National Relief Commission. He succeeds Mr. Wang Hsiao-hai, who has been transferred to another post. Mr. Wang is Chairman of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai. (Central News).

**Sir Shou-son
Chow Born
In Hongkong
81 Years Ago**

Speaking over Z.B.W. last night in the Centenary programme series, Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, one of the Colony's oldest and most distinguished residents, offered the Government of Hongkong his warmest felicitations on the occasion of the Centenary and wished the Colony continued success and prosperity.

"To me, Hongkong is especially dear," Sir Shou-son said. "For I was born here in Aberdeen, 81 years ago. According to my family record, my ancestors for seven consecutive generations had lived in various parts of the New Territories and Kowloon City."

POSTED UP PROCLAMATION

"Even before 1841, some of my ancestors had lived on this Island, as I have it on record that one of them assisted in posting up at Aberdeen the proclamation issued by Captain Elliot, the first Governor of Hongkong, on Feb. 2 of that year.

"It is, therefore, not unfitting that, in view of the progress made by Hongkong during the last hundred years, I, as one of the oldest residents, should take this opportunity to offer my warmest felicitations to the Government of Hongkong and wish the Colony continued success and prosperity.

"Let us hope that the present hostilities which have caused such immense suffering to mankind may soon end so that we may soon see peace on earth and goodwill towards men."

(Sir Shou-son was knighted in 1928.)

CHINESE PRESS COMMENT

Commenting on the centenary of Hongkong, both the TA KUNG PAO and the LIH PAO emphasised the significance of close Anglo-Chinese co-operation.

The Ta Kung Pao said that during the last three years the position of Hongkong has increased in importance and the spirit of mutual aid and mutual understanding in which the Chinese and British work for common welfare is exemplary.

Pointing to the large percentage of Chinese in Hongkong's population and the enormous Chinese investments in commercial and industrial enterprises, the Ta Kung Pao declared that Hongkong's prosperity is in direct proportion to the closeness of the bonds between China and Britain. Therefore Hongkong is in a way a symbol of Sino-British co-operation.

CO-OPERATION NECESSARY

The Lih Pao said that Sino-British co-operation is necessary not only in the enhancement of Hongkong's prosperity but also in the maintenance of Far Eastern peace as well as in the post-war rebuilding of the world.

The paper further stated that while Britain's unconditional return of the British concessions in Hankow, Kiukiang and Chinkiang following the conclusion of the Northern Expedition which brought China under the Control of the National Government, lay the foundation of co-operation between the two nations. In recent years, the re-opening of the Burma Road and British assistance to China in her resistance campaign have testified to the value of Sino-British friendship when both nations are undergoing hard times.

P.C. William Taylor, 33, Felbridge, Catford, admitting at Greenwich that he stole a fur coat valued at £18 18s. from a raid-damaged shop, was placed on probation. The magistrate said ill health had caused the officer's downfall.

FOREIGN MAILED

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, 21st JANUARY, 1941, 9.30 A.M.

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1.30 P.M.

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Reg. 5.00 P.M.

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Date and Time

Wed. 22nd

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Reg. 5.00 P.M.

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Reg. 5.00 P.M.

Ord. 7.00 P.M.

7.00 P.M.

Canton.....

Tues. 21st

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Reg. 5.00 P.M.

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7.00 P.M.

Straits and Calcutta.....

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7.00 P.M.

Straits and Rangoon.....

Fri. 24th

K.P.O.

Reg. 4.00 P.M.

Ord. 4.30 P.M.